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ANTI-PHOSPHORYLATED TAU PROTEIN  
ANTIBODIES AND METHODS FOR DETECTING  
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE WITH THE USE OF  
THE SAME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
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Respectfully submitted,

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